Attorney Docket No. 05632/LH

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Y. MIKI et al

Serial No. : National Phase of

PCT/JP2004/000864

Filed

: Herewith

For

: METHOD OF CONTINUOUS

STEEL CASTING

Art Unit

Examiner

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Submitted herewith is a copy of the International Search Report issued in connection with International Application No. PCT/JP2004/000864, on which the present U.S. National Phase application is based.

PCT procedure provides that copies of the references cited in the International Search Report should be supplied by WIPO to Therefore, copies of the cited references in the International Search Report should be on file in the United States, in accordance with current practice.

Attached hereto is a Form PTO/SB/08A listing the particulars of the references cited in the International Search Report. As mentioned above, copies of the references should already be in the U.S. file, supplied by WIPO.

## JC05 Rec'd PCT/PTO 07 OCT 2003

Express Mail Mailing No.: EV 720 476 946

Date of Deposit: October 7, 2005

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for

Ul ani

Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22813-1450

Barbara Villani

In the event that this Paper is late filed. and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith. please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not tendered by credit card payment attached hereto, authorization to charge the extension fee, or any other fee required in connection with this Paper, to Account No. 06-1378.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return an initialed copy of the attached form PTO/SB/08A to confirm that the publications supplied by WIPO and listed therein have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Holtz Reg. No. 22,974

October 7, 2005

Frishauf, Holtz, Goodman & Chick, P.C. 220 Fifth Avenue - 16th Floor New York, New York 10001-7708 Tel. No. (212) 319-4900 Fax Nos. (212) 319-5101 LH:bv

## JC05 Rec'd PCT/PTO J70CT 2009

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → PTO/SB/08A (08-00) U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Application Number Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO 10/552414 Filing Date INFORMATION DISCLOSURE First Named Inventor STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Group Art Unit Examiner Name 1 05632/LH 1 Attorney Docket Number Sheet of U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS Kind Name of Patentee or Relevant Publication Date Exam. Inits\* Cite No<sup>1</sup> Document Number Code<sup>2</sup> Applicant MM-DD-YYYY Portion 6,117,389 Α NABESHIMA et al 09-12-2000 FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Kind Name of Patentee or Publication Relevant Exam Inits Cite No<sup>1</sup> Document Number4 т6 Code Offc3 Applicant Date MM-DD-YYYY Portion JΡ 2002-28763 Α KAWASAKI STEEL CORP 01-29-2002 JΡ 2003-103348 Α KAWASAKI STEEL CORP 04-08-2003 JP 2003-103349 KAWASAKI STEEL CORP Α 04-08-2003 JP 11-100611 KAWASAKI STEEL CORP Α 04-13-1999 Examiner Date Signature Considered

EXAMINER: Initial it reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPBP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

DATE MAILED: October 7, 2005

Unique citation designation number. See kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. Place a check here if English translation is attached.